To All Faculty, Staff and Students,

I would like to invite you all to attend Dr. Roger Rosenblatt's talk, "You Can't Teach Writing? Nonsense!" on Wednesday, November 18, at 12:40 PM in Humanities 1003. This talk is part of his candidacy for the Cherry Award as the best teacher in the United States. Professor Rosenblatt is one of three finalists for that award.

Roger Rosenblatt did his Ph.D. at Harvard and is now a Distinguished Professor of English at Stony Brook University.

After being the youngest House Master in the history of Harvard, Professor Rosenblatt served a term as director of education at the National Endowment for the Humanities. He then became literary editor of The New Republic and a columnist and essayist for The Washington Post, Time magazine, and the PBS News Hour. He has been an editor at U.S. News and World Report, Life magazine, and other major national publications, and editor-at-large at Time Incorporated.

Professor Rosenblatt has published over 300 essays and articles, as well as eleven books. His play, The Oldsmobiles, is currently being performed at the Flea Theater in Manhattan, and a screenplay that he wrote is the basis of a forthcoming film.

Dr. Rosenblatt's list of awards and honors includes a Fulbright Scholarship, Washingtonian Magazine's award for the best Columnist in Washington, the Robert F. Kennedy Book Prize, five honorary doctorates, and an Emmy. In 2005 he was the Edward R. Murrow Visiting Professor at Harvard. He also has taught at the Columbia School of Journalism and Georgetown.

I hope you are able to attend his talk this Wednesday, it promises to be time very well spent.

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